

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	:	
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McLean, Virginia

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed contemporaneously with the filing of the subject application. Please amend the claims of the application as indicated below without prejudice in order to be able to reintroduce the subject matter in translated claims.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claim 4, line 1, delete "l'une des revendications 1 à 3" and replace with --revendication 1--.

Claim 5, line 1, delete "l'une des revendications 1 à 4" and replace with --revendication 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, delete "l'une des revendications 1 à 5" and replace with --revendication 1--.

Claim 10, lines 1 - 2, delete "l'une des revendications 7 à 9" and replace with --revendication 7--.

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